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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on September 20, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration of the application in light of the following:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Drawings are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 5.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

An Appendix including Replacement Sheet for figures 3 and 4 is attached following page 8 of this paper.

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suggested by the cited art. Claims 5 and 6 have been amended to clarify the claimed subject matter. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 2-8 are not anticipated.

Amendments to Drawings

Applicants have submitted a replacement sheet of drawings for Figures 3 and 4. In the replacement sheet, Figure 3 is unchanged, and Figure 4 has been changed to reflect the original drawing of Figure 4 in the application. No new mater has been added. Applicant respectfully requests consideration of the drawings.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests favorable consideration and allowance for all pending claims. If the examiner believes that a telephone conference would expedite allowance of the application, the examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

February 21, 2006

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